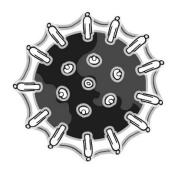
## **Lessons from Corona Virus**



arch 15<sup>th</sup> 2020: The day the news of spread of Corona virus pandemic gripped the humankind all over the world. The Corona Virus also called COVID -19 first detected in Republic of China and in a very little time spread all over the world. About 182 countries of the world including all the developed countries are very badly affected by this worst ever corona virus.

When we talk of speed, we give simile of Wind. Corona virus really spread all over the world like a wind. This virus is transmitted through drop lets and not through air. This virus has so far, no definite vaccine which could cure it. Today, almost in every country virologist are working day and night to find a most effective vaccine which can cure corona virus affected patients. The only known effective remedy available to save from Corona virus is social distancing. People will have to maintain minimum of 1 to 1.5 meters distance between them, only then we can arrest its spread.

Up till now  $30^{\rm th}$  June 2020 this Corona virus has affected 10495468 persons all over the world and the death

toll is 510583. In India the number of corona virus victims is 566840 and the death toll is 16893 as of the same date, irrespective of age, class, religion, financial, political status. There are some heads of States (British Prime Minister, Canadian Prime Minister Justin Trudeau. Prime Minister Mikhail Mishustin, above, became the highest-profile politician to test positive for the coronavirus in the country, had to be admitted to the hospital for treatment and recovered.

It was diagnosed that the virus was spread through the incoming passengers from various countries. Therefore, at the entry point only all those who arrived at the airport were screened and irrespective of the visitor's status, everyone was quarantined for 2 weeks. Those who were affected were sent to the identified hospitals for specialized treatment.

After getting the feedback from the Republic of China, all the Governments have taken effective steps to arrest this pandemic. In India, in order to effectively fight against the spread of corona virus, knowing the importance of social distancing, the Government of India and the State Governments have geared up their machinery sparing no stone unturned. In the first place Section 144 of Indian Penal Code was imposed which prevents gathering of more than 4 persons in public. On the 22<sup>nd</sup> March 2020, Hon. Modiji addressed the nation and requested the public to observe people's curfew from 7 a.m. to 9 p.m. and requested the people to clap/ or make similar noise using plates, bells etc. to offer our respect and heartfelt thanks to the Doctors, Police personnel, Cleaning staff, Volunteers who are on the forefront of the battle against corona virus.

On the 23rd the Prime Minister announced a lock down all over the country for 3 weeks, and appealed the public to observe the guidelines issued by the Government. The initial guidelines were wash hands frequently, do not touch your nose and mouth, and observe social distancing, to keep the corona virus away. The prime minister appealed that greater care be taken of the Senior Citizens at home. Several concessions were extended to those who provide essential services like medical shops, supply of milk, etc. Schools, Colleges, offices, Air traffic both domestic and international flights were cancelled. The whole world followed similar steps. It is gratifying to note here that the Indian Government under the dynamic and dashing prime minister Mr. Narendra Modiji, took well in advance several steps as a result of which we could arrest the spread of the virus to a great extent, as compared to the world situation on this front. The figures of the affected, deceased, quarantined and those who are cured, speak for it. Mr. Modiji has been applauded by the world leaders and the World Health Organization of United Nations. Hats off to Hon. Modiji.

Various groups were formed at the centre and at the states and constant reporting of the developments were by the Centre. The magnitude obtained arrangements required for such a pandemic was so high that the present hospitals turned out to be inadequate to accommodate the patients and patients to be guarantined. Therefore, the Governments took up the private hospitals. schools, colleges, hostels, Mangal Karvalays to arrange for institutional quarantine arrangements. The requirements like Masks, Ventilators, PPE kits etc. everything was in short supply and therefore, innovative Indians came to the rescue of the Government. Various organizations started manufacturing masks PPE

kits, and Ventilators, handwashers, Sanitizers etc. The Government also imported several urgently required materials.

Since this pandemic was never imagined by any one, everyone was taken aback. Even the super power USA had to ask for supply of hydroxychloroquine, tablets from India and the Government responded favourably to it. India has been supplying these tablets to several countries. This was a blessing in disguise. Our companies increased the production of the same. This supply has attained a goodwill of various countries.

Despite all these measures there was no much desired impact of these measures and therefore, on taking a review of what is happening all over the country and the world at large, the Government of India had to extend the lockdown period by another fortnight.

Right from the first lockdown period, all the district borders were sealed, public transport including the trains were suspended sine die. This lockdown created havoc everywhere as no one was expecting such a drastic step. Particularly in the metropolitan cities like Mumbai, Pune, Nagpur, Nashik, etc. particularly the industrial cities, had the sizable population of the labourers from various States like Bihar, Uttar Pradesh, Madhya Pradesh, Zahkhand etc. This labour was living on their daily earnings and the economic activity had come to stand still. These labours were very much affected that they were dependent on the daily earnings for their food and basic needs. They were starving. Therefore, the State Government and the Non-Governmental Organizations had to volunteer for offering food and their daily requirements. Social organizations like Ganesh Utsav Mandals, several Trusts, Rotary, Lion, Jaycees, Giants etc. clubs came forward to assist them. These labours are mainly hutment dwellers or for some of them reside at railway stations, space beneath the bridges was the only shelter. They used to live in a crowded room. Dharavi — the most densely populated hutment in the world, had a severe blow and it became a hotspot of corona patients. The speed at which corona patients were detected at such densely populated area was horrifying. Therefore, the problem of ensuring social distancing became quite acute and arrangements for accommodating thousands of people in institutional quarantine places had to be resorted.

The state of Maharashtra has been severely affected by this corona pandemic and is at number one position in the country. Therefore, the central Government is closely watching the developments in Maharashtra and extending all the support to the State Government. A high-level team constituted by the Central Govt. also paid visit to Mumbai, Pune, Thane areas where pandemic is at peak and obtained first-hand information and extended guidance and support to control the pandemic.

Those families where only senior citizens are staying and their kids are abroad had the problem. There were no maid servants, to attend to them. For them also voluntary organizations came forward to attend to their requirements.

Then on 3<sup>rd</sup> April 2020 taking a review of the national and state level situation of corona virus pandemic the central Government decided to extend the lockdown period by another 2 weeks. Of course, the Government carried out exercise of sorting out the districts in three zones depending upon the spread of corona virus in Red,

Orange and Green zones. In the third lock down period several concessions have been extended to the districts in green and orange zones. Gradually the Government has also to see that the wheels of the economy start moving in order to maintain the revenues.

steps have been taken by various Several organizations to support the public. E.g. the Reserve Bank of India had directed the banks to grant three months repayment holiday for term loans, made available funds to the banking and financial institutions in a big way to create liquidity in the country so that the economy starts moving. Schools and College examinations have been postponed, UPSC and MPSC exams have also been postponed. Every effort is being made by the various departments. The Government of India, Finance Ministry also extended the dead lines for submission of some of the statutory returns, granted some sops also. agriculturists all over India, every state Government of India are giving repayment holiday to their loans as well as directed the financial institutions to grant them financial support for their agricultural operations without treating them as a defaulter.

Because of this unforeseen lockdown exercise several Indians have been stranded in various countries and they are to be brought back. Now the Government of India has made special arrangements to bring them back by arranging special flights as well as by deploying navy's ships.

Even after the 40<sup>th</sup> day the number of patients affected by the Corona virus is increasing by leaps and bounds, death toll is also rising, and the number of persons quarantined is also showing rising trend. This is a serious

cause of concern. With a view to allure the hardships of the common man the Government was selectively releasing its control but the response given by the public at certain places was quite disgusting. Social distancing norms were put to haywire. At the public demand and to earn revenue the Government had on certain conditions allowed the Liquor shops to be opened, but the shops were so crowded and no social distancing norms were followed anywhere and as a result the Government had to withdraw its decision. Several concessions given in the various zones are being withdrawn. It is expected that we should understand the gravity of the situation and should have responded with positive mode and observed social distancing norms. Ultimately it is in everybody's interest.

In Mumbai which has the highest patients, doctors and medical staff are now inadequate to fight with Corona. Therefore, the Government of Maharashtra had to take a very serious decision to direct all the private doctors below the age of 55 to compulsory join the Government hospitals for a minimum of 15 days, to relieve the stress of the medical and supporting staff currently attending the corona patients.

The Government has made arrangements for the shifting of the migrated workers to their respective states by observing every precaution. Even in case of persons stranded in the different places within the district are also being shifted to their respective normal residences. All these arrangements are being made by the Government free of transport charges.

Both the Central as well as the State Government are constantly in touch and are well prepared to take any step to arrest the corona virus pandemic.

At the international front, day in and day out, the statistics published on the digital media adds to the tensions. Several lakhs patients are affected by corona virus, lakhs of people have succumbed to death. The United States of America is worst hit, followed by Spain, Italy, France and Britain, Germany.

Mr. Donald Trump has stated that USA has the evidence against China for spreading the Corona virus. Some organizations have already moved international court to take action against China for its negligence and taking the world to such a situation. Germany has already lodged its claim against China for damages to their economy. The exchange of allegations between US and China are taking a different shape and it is feared that it may take a bad turn if not timely arrested.

In fact, there are reasons to believe that this was a man-made attempt by Republic of China to spread the corona virus. It is a man's greed to have power all over the world. This was very intelligently planned. If they would have used nuclear weapons along with the human beings there would have been loss of physical assets. But with this biological weapon only the loss of human has taken place. A WhatsApp communication stated that a Nobel Prize laurate from French Nobel laureate Luc Montagnier stirred controversy after he claimed in an interview with French C News channel that the coronavirus has come from Wuhan's lab, which was tested to develop a vaccine against the AIDS virus, as per media reports. He had also worked in China in the same laboratory for over 4 years, has emphatically stated that it is deliberate attempt by China. He has stated that he tried to contact his colleagues on their phone there was no response. On further inquiry he came to know that all are dead. He had gone one step ahead to say if this information is proved to be incorrect, he is willing to surrender his Nobel Prize. Thus, all the circumstantial evidence goes to prove there is something fishy in this whole episode.

## The Lessons from Corona Virus

World over innovative brains are discovering several beyond imagination things. Man has reached the Moon, and is trying to step up in the Mars. In every field there are new discoveries and invention and the Man was bosting of this capability. In the process the superiority of nature was challenged in various fields. Now the nature has brought the talented human race to a zero level. The corona virus is the smallest in size less than a Nano Meter and it has damaged the economy of the world and the men are helpless. The lesson that the mankind should learn is that we should respect the nature and realize his limitations. Too much of aggressions in the nature, is going to be disastrous.

Under the guise of dynamic life, we were underestimating the dialogue in the family. Everybody used to run after time. Even when they reach home, they are tied with the mobile phone. The lock down period has convinced everybody all the importance of a smooth and healthy dialogue at home.

As the maid servants were not available because of the imposition of the lock down state, even the male partners had to assist their better half to meet the daily routine work. In the process confidence is being developed amongst the families that they can in such unpredicted situation can survive cooperating each other. Another important lesson we have learnt that before the nature there is no differentiation. Nature treats the mankind equally. Then why we should differentiate the mankind using religion, caste, creed, rich and poor etc.

There is need to realize that dynamism is essential but to some limited extent. We should stop at certain point. We should take rest. Take the others along with you. If you fail to do this compulsory rest is very costly, which we are experiencing during this lockdown period.

One more important lesson that we have learnt that money is not all. You cannot buy health, satisfaction, vision, thoughts etc. Those have to be cultivated. Today, in the hospitals where the corona patients are being treated there is no special treatment because one has huge bank balance. Always remember the resources are of the society.

Respect everybody. Because of the circumstances everyone gets extra importance. Today, the cleaning staff, doctors, policemen all have the importance and they should be respected. It is most unfortunate there are instances of attacks on the policemen and doctors. These need to be condemned and the culprits should be prosecuted and heavily punished and this should be showcased so that the others will not dare to do such acts.

Because of the lock down stage everybody has realized that we can live with satisfaction without much needs. Once our basic needs are satisfied, we can pull on happily for which mindset has been developed by this lock down period. We have learnt to express gratitude and appreciation of those who deserve it. E.g. Doctors, medical staff, policemen, cleaning staff etc.

One of the side effects of Lockdown due to corona virus is that it will add to India's population during the current year. There was shortage of condoms in the market. It has also been reported that the number of applications for divorce have increased considerably during the lock down period.

The inadequacy of several medical material-like masks, ventilators, sanitizers, Personal Protective Equipment kits etc. led the superior brains to develop indigenous material at low cost and in a record time. This is by no means a small achievement.

The entire economy of the world is going to be westly affected and India is not exception to it. We are already short of resources. Therefore, the Government will be initiating several measures, keeping in view the capacity of each class's and will levy taxes. We should not forget that the Government cannot go on printing notes, it has to be backing of the tangible goods and services. We should not resort to unnecessary strikes, stoppage of works, attacks on public property under one pretext or the other. This is our sacred national duty and everyone should observe it.

Prominent Country wise Data relating to damage to human life by

Corona virus: Position as on 5th October 2020

Sr. No.	Name of the country	Total infections	Active infections	Recoveries	Deaths due to Corona
1	U.S.A.	76,36,912	25,73,263	48,49,038	virus 2,14,611
2	Brail	49,15,289	5,05,706	42,63,208	1,46,375
3	Mexico	7,61,665	1,32,524	5,50,053	79,088
4	Russia	12,15,001	2,14,500	9,79,143	21,358
5	India	66,23,815	9,34,398	55,86,703	1,02,714
	World wide	3,54,04,671	77,32,354	2,66,30,455	10,41,862

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## Quotes

"It's the quality of your life that matters not the speed with which you live: We have been leading our lives like a machine at its highest speed, this is the time for us to sit back and enjoy what we have today, relish things we forgot existed. Create memories with our loved ones, follow a passion you left behind. So, stop cribbing and focus on the quality of your life."

"Hopefully, as companies give more attention to the importance of work-life balance, more and more people will be in a better position to decide and act more holistically on what's important to them."

"The secret of change is to focus all of your energy, not on fighting the old, but on building the new."

- Socrates

"The world needs huge positive energy to fight against the negative forces. Go to the center of your inner begin and generate that positive energy for the welfare of the humanity."

- Amit Ray, World Peace: The Voice of a Mountain Bird

"They alone live who live for others, the rest are more dead than alive"

Swami Vivekananda